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## from the EDITOR'S CHAIR

### ACTIONS SPEAK LOUDER

Our form of government isn't perfect. But most of us favor it because it gives more people a better chance to live better lives.

However, you can't convert disbelievers by making them sign or recite oaths.

And those who are out to destroy us — if that's what they're up to — will be just as quick to say they believe as we do if it will help them defeat us.

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### PURPOSE DEFEATED

Another reason we like our kind of government is because we have greater freedom under it.

Yet there are some whose devotion to the ideal of freedom is so strong that they object to oaths or restrictions.

By legislating against them, you bar some of the fiercest partisans of true democracy from public employment, including the teaching of youngsters.

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### A.B. 1554

Assembly Bill 1554 is a step in the right direction.

It would remove the present McCarthy-like oath for most state employees — including teachers and all others not elected or appointed for terms fixed by the State Constitution.

It would substitute a simple statement similar to the pledge of allegiance to the flag. This is the same oath now required of military and naval officers.

Principal author is Assemblyman John O'Connell of San Francisco. Among its co-authors are Assemblymen Robert W. Crown and Nicholas Petris of Alameda County and John Knox and Jerome Waldie of Contra Costa County.

As this was written, the bill was scheduled to come up in the Assembly this week.

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### BLOWS 2 (NOT 4) FREEDOM

Political tolerance suffered at least two defeats in California last week:

- The University of California cancelled a campus address by Malcolm X of the Muslim black supremacists on grounds it would be religious proselyting.

- Mrs. Paul O'Rourke was ousted as secretary of a Democratic club in El Centro because she believes that saluting the flag is a gesture of nationalism and that nationalism is a cause of war.

(This is certainly no endorsement of black racism. As for Mrs. O'Rourke's ideas, they are not new. Maybe she just has more courage to practice what she preaches than quite a few other people who believe the same way.)

## OFFICIAL NOTICES

Unions will find notices of important meetings called by their officers on page 5 of this issue of the Journal.

# Why Houlihan is labor's choice -- CLC gets facts



JOHN C. HOULIHAN

... be sure to vote for him

## Oliver Tire hires new strikebreakers against Local 64

Oliver Tire and Rubber Co. is still trying to break the union by using strikebreakers, Ed Porreca of Rubber Workers 64 told the Central Labor Council as the strike entered its third week Monday.

Porreca estimated there were between 20 and 22 persons working behind picket lines at the beginning of the strike.

But Oliver has hired more strikebreakers since then, Porreca said, in an apparent effort to thwart Local 64's goal of a union shop security provision and other legitimate bargaining aims.

"We are satisfied that the plant is not operating at full effectiveness, however," Porreca told labor council delegates.

He reported that the company had finally consented to meet with a federal mediator but that its demands still would have amounted to surrender by the union.

### URBAN LEAGUE

Central Labor Council action criticizing the Bay Area Urban League for referring Negro workers subsequently used by Oliver as strikebreakers was modified at Monday night's meeting.

After meeting with the CLC Executive Board last Friday, Kenneth F. Smith, acting executive director of the League, wrote a letter criticizing Oliver for its "unfair" tactics.

Specifically, Smith said the company put Urban League in the position of appearing to furnish strikebreakers. Smith said he told Oliver immediately upon learning of the strike, that Urban League will furnish no more workers.

## Rishell fails to show up; delegates debate issues

Councilman John C. Houlihan called upon labor this week to "finish the job" and help elect him mayor of Oakland next Tuesday.

The COPE-endorsed candidate told Central Labor Council delegates that seven out of 10 persons voted for a change in the mayor's office in the primary election.

Both Houlihan and Mayor Clifford Rishell had been invited to Monday night's meeting. But Mayor Rishell failed to show up.

Robert S. Ash, secretary of the Central Labor Council, read a telegram from Rishell. The mayor said "no useful purpose" would be served by such a debate.

### HOULIHAN SAYS RISHELL 'CAPTURED'

Houlihan criticized Rishell for allegedly dodging debates and sending his campaign manager, Councilman Robert L. Osborne, to some meetings.

"I'm a little sorry that Cliff has allowed himself to be captured by his campaign manager," Councilman Houlihan declared.

Houlihan also took sharp issue with an innuendo in Rishell's telegram that an unnamed campaign aide had been a supporter of Proposition 18, the anti-union, right-to-work measure, in 1958.

Houlihan denied he had appointed "any ardent advocate of right-to-work" but said he couldn't help it if people of that persuasion are also concerned with good of the community.

### DEBATE LASTS 1½ HOURS

After Houlihan left to attend another meeting, delegates engaged in a 1½-hour debate during which the answers of both candidates before the COPE interviewing committee were given in detail.

The debate started when Joe W. Chaudet of Newspaper Guild 52 asked for a report on Houlihan's answers to questions at an Executive Committee meeting 10 days ago.

Chaudet said he wanted to clear up any remaining differences of opinion between Houlihan and certain unions and added that he desired to combat untrue rumors that were being circulated.

F. V. Stambaugh of Carmen's 192 reported on Houlihan's answers:

- Right-to-work — Houlihan played a role in the campaign against Proposition 18.

- Oakland Tribune — Houlihan served as attorney for the Oakland Tribune only in a libel action when recommended in that field by another lawyer. He is retained by the Tribune only for matters involving possible libel.

- White Log Cabin case — Houlihan was retained by the owners, who had a dispute with Culinary Workers several years ago, only on a lease matter.

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## Milk Drivers win 2-hr. strike over automation, wage issues

Milk Drivers 302 won all major demands on automation and wage increases from major Alameda and Contra Costa County milk dealers last week after a two-hour strike against one company.

Al Brown, secretary-treasurer, said the union got what it asked for on all major issues, including:

- Extra day off with pay each month for employees in milk plants operating only five days a week and wholesale drivers on five-day schedules.

- Automatic contract reopening if employers start using drop-off shipments at stores, instead of having milk drivers stock shelves.

(Both issues involved automation changes.)

- Pay increases of 15 cents an hour, plus premium pay for drivers based on number of items they handle.
- Jury pay.
- Better health and welfare benefits.

The union won these gains from all members of the Milk Dealers Assn. after striking at the Foremost Dairies, Inc., plant in Concord. Foremost was a leader in pushing drop-off shipments.

## BTC settles new housing authority beef

Another dispute with the Oakland Housing Authority was reported at last week's Building Trades Council meeting by J. L. Childers, business representative.

He and Robert Kerr of Glaziers 169 investigated a complaint and found a laborer putting in glass at a housing authority building at Eighth and Union streets, Childers said.

Authority officials agreed to put a Glazier on the job, and members of that union will install the remainder of 800 panes currently being replaced in Oakland housing units.

### SUPREME COURT RULINGS

Childers alerted unions to two new U.S. Supreme Court decisions which may have a bearing on negotiations in progress. Both overturned National Labor Relations Board rulings:

- In the Mountain Pacific decision, the Supreme Court gave unions more latitude in negotiating hiring hall agreements.

- Another ruling permits union work rules to be incorporated in a contract if they do not conflict with state or federal laws.

Childers suggested unions currently negotiating with employers check with their attorneys on these points.

### LABOR DAY PICNIC

All unions planning annual picnics have been requested by the Alameda County AFLCIO Council on Political Education (COPE) to hold them in conjunction with the Labor Day Picnic at the Alameda County Fairgrounds.

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## Drive-In owner found guilty of battery against picket for Culinary 823

Cecil Ellis, owner of Cecil's Drive-In, 547 W. Tennyson Rd., Hayward, has been placed on probation for six months after being charged with battery against a picket for Hayward Culinary 823.

Municipal Judge T. L. Foley found Ellis guilty, also sentenced him to 10 days in jail but suspended the sentence.

Ellis appeared in Judge Foley's court Tuesday, May 2, after Joe Schifers, 65, the picket for Local 823, accused him of grabbing and pushing him.

Leroy Woods, financial secretary of Local 823, said Schifers' arm was bruised and a button torn from his shirt by Ellis.



# HOW TO BUY

## Tests of floor tiles reported

By SIDNEY MARGOLIUS  
Labor Consumer Advisor for Labor Journal

A major problem with the tiles used for flooring in many recently built or expanded homes is the dents caused by the weight of furniture.

Not only are these unsightly, but they eventually may require that the tiles be replaced. The work and cost of maintaining and replacing floor covering is a sizeable item in home maintenance.

A series of tests done recently at the Texas Agricultural Station can help you select the kind of tile that will be resilient underfoot but still comparatively resistant to permanent indentation. The reports indicate that on most counts, vinyl tile seems most satisfactory.

• **DIFFERENT** types of tiles tested ranked in this order, from least to most residual indentation:

1/8-inch vinyl; 1/16-inch vinyl asbestos; 1/8-inch asphalt; 1/8-inch vinyl asbestos; 1/8-inch rubber tile; 2/25-inch rubber; 1/8-inch cork; standard gauge linoleum; 3/16-inch cork.

Interestingly, the less costly and thinner vinyl asbestos proved to be more resistant to permanent dents than the 1/8-inch variety. Even the asphalt tile was a little more resistant than the vinyl asbestos of the same gauge.

But this is only part of the story. The 1/16-inch vinyl asbestos proves to be the least resilient underfoot. Some resiliency is desirable for comfortable standing and walking.

The resiliency ratings of all the tiles, from most resilient to least were: cork; linoleum; rubber; 1/8-inch vinyl asbestos; 1/8-inch vinyl; 1/8-inch asphalt; 1/16-inch vinyl asbestos.

Testers found that asphalt tile ranks near the bottom in resiliency comfort and also retains a considerable amount of permanent dents.

• **PREVIOUS** tests showed that all-vinyl also proved to be good in gloss retention and excellent in grease resistance. But it is one of the most expensive floor coverings, especially in the heavier qualities. Most grades of all-vinyl tile are recommended preferably only for above-grade floors, not for basements.

Vinyl asbestos, which is asbestos with a vinyl plastic surface, is less expensive than all vinyl, and usable for basements and other floors in direct con-

tact with the ground. So is asphalt. The vinyl-asbestos, however, keeps its gloss better than asphalt and is more grease resistant.

Rubber tiles, which are comfortable to walk on and not so expensive now, retain dents more than vinyl. For that reason, the rubber tiles may not be as desirable a choice for rooms with heavy furniture such as dining or living rooms but may be safer for bathrooms.

The thicker grade of rubber suffers less indentation than the thinner.

• **ONE** of the biggest problems with tiles nowadays is the spiked heels many women are wearing. These tend to dent tiles.

Even if you can't get your wife to take off her shoes in the house, you can help solve the problem of dents caused by furniture. The curved gliders used on the legs of much furniture are apt to dent tiles more than the same gliders with a flat contact surface.

In fact, if the gliders on your furniture are the small, round type and you don't want to bother replacing them with flatter ones or use cups with flat bottoms, it may be safer to remove highly curved gliders. The legs themselves may be large enough to reduce the pressure on the floor coverings.

In buying furniture, look for large, flat gliders that will help protect your floors.

In earlier tests, it was found that dark, solid colors in most floor coverings show wear the most, except in the case of rubber tile.

If you already have linoleum or cork tiles, waxing is especially important, not only for appearance, but to help them resist wear.

## YWCA marriage course for teens

The YWCA and other community agencies have been sponsoring a course on marriage preparation for teenagers.

A rapid increase in teenage marriages prompted the course, sessions of which have been held at the Baymont Community Center in Oakland. Rose Sherman of the YWCA staff is project director. She plans other groups if sufficient interest is shown. Call her if you are interested. Future groups may include teenagers planning to be married, as well as those recently married.

Topics at the Baymont course included budget planning, religion, psychological and physiological needs, and family planning.

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## Drug rebate

Hearings on drug prices charged the state paid off again recently.

Assemblyman Phillip Burton, Assembly interim committee chairman, announced that Ayerst Laboratories became the fifth pharmaceutical firm to offer the state a rebate on prescriptions under the State Medical Care Program.

## Unaccustomed

"You haven't been a salesman long," remarked a customer during a lull in the rush at one big store.

"How can you tell that, madam?" asked the puzzled salesman.

"You still blush when you mention the prices." — Labor.

## Kaiser firm sued

The U. S. Department of Justice has filed suit against Kaiser Aluminum and Chemical Co. to stop it from buying the Kawneer Co. of Niles, Mich. The suit was filed under anti-trust laws.

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## 'Hidden' owner law is proposed

Protection for innocent car buyers who purchase vehicles having "hidden" legal owners would be provided by a bill introduced in the Legislature by State Senator John Holmdahl of Alameda County.

"Dozens of car buyers in the East Bay area alone have recently been victimized by purchasing cars from large, supposedly reputable dealers," Senator Holmdahl said. Later, the buyer's concern mounts as weeks and even months go by without receipt of his certificate of ownership or pink slip.

"Then he discovers that the car is subject to a prior conditional sale contract or mortgage, frequently held by a financing institution which has loaned money to the dealer or consigned the vehicle to him for sale."

Holmdahl said his bill would clearly establish the priority of right of the good faith buyer as against the lender. It would also increase the existing bond requirement for car dealers to prevent exploitation from \$5,000 to \$10,000.

## Furnace racket warning issued

Another warning on the furnace racket was issued this month by the Oakland Better Business Bureau.

"Despite frequent and repeated warnings by the Better Business Bureau to the public," the bureau said, "many area homeowners are being bilked by a few unscrupulous employees of a minority of furnace companies in the East Bay."

The vast majority of complaints involve three companies the BBB said.

They offer a free inspection. The inspector visits the home and checks the furnace. He may recommend a cleaning. While cleaning the furnace, he "finds" the furnace unsafe and in need of replacing.

The owner is left with the impression his whole home may blow up any minute, or his family may be asphyxiated.

One solicitor even claimed she represented the Better Business Bureau!

The BBB's advice: call the PG&E and/or another furnace company.

## Medical revolt gets AMA syrup

A resolution criticizing the "distorted image of organized medicine" created by the doctor-politicians of the American Medical Assn. was introduced at the California Medical Assn. in Los Angeles last week.

But, by the time it came to a vote, it was watered down into nothing more than a placebo (a medicine given merely to satisfy a patient).

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## To the Ladies: FROM the EDITOR

IF you have a family of five, statistics show there's a 50-50 chance one member of it will become mentally ill sometime during his or her lifetime.

One American out of 10 now living will spend part of his life in a mental institution.

Properly treated, your chances of recovering from mental illness are better than they are of surviving cancer, multiple sclerosis or several other chronic diseases.

These are some of the facts you may have heard about mental health.

**GROWING** concern with mental health and mental illness is behind an action taken last month by the Alameda County Board of Supervisors.

The board decided to apply for federal funds under the Short-Doyle Act for a mental health clinic at Highland Hospital.

Supervisors voted to put their part of the cost of running the clinic into the county budget last year, but no further action was taken until April 18, 1961.

Now it looks as if the supervisors are really planning to go ahead and set up the clinic, if the federal funds are forthcoming.

this important field.

**THE CLINIC**, however, will operate only on an outpatient basis.

For this and several other reasons, it will fall far short of meeting Alameda County's growing mental health needs.

Nationwide studies show that the staff psychiatrist, clinical psychologist and two psychiatric social workers included in the budget won't be enough, to handle the number of cases originating in a county the size of this one.

This is true despite the fact that Herrick Hospital in Berkeley already operates both inpatient and outpatient clinics.

**THE SHORT-DOYLE** Act provides for five services, with 50 per cent of costs reimbursed.

- Education of the general public.
- Consultation services for schools and public and private agencies.
- Outpatient clinics.
- Inpatient clinics.
- Rehabilitation.

Even with the new outpatient clinic, Alameda County will have only three of these services.

Serious mental cases will still have to be separated from their families and sent to state hospitals in other counties.

## Slight mistake

Convict to cell mate: "Man, I was making big money—nearly half an inch too big." — Redwood Empire Labor Journal.

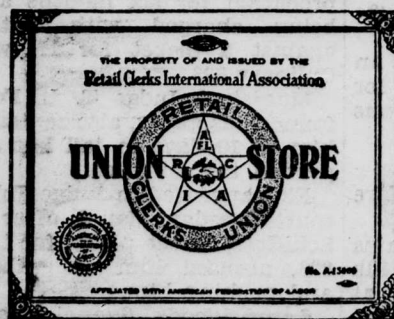
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## Barbers turn down welfare plan, price increase proposal

Barbers 134 turned down a plan to raise haircut prices 10 cents to pay for a union health and welfare and vacation plan by a vote of 156 to 111 last month.

William McCracken, business representative, said a two-thirds vote was necessary for passage. In view of the fact that some 400 members failed to vote, union officials are considering submitting a modified proposal to a vote in the near future.

McCracken said the voting was held on a Monday, and the polls were open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., to attract a large vote. He said the plan would have benefitted both shop owners and employees. A large proportion of Local 134's members own their own shops.

Stockton and Sunnyvale Barbers' locals have adopted welfare plans recently, McCracken said. This, however, was the second such plan Local 134 has voted against. A month ago, members voted down a plan to raise haircut prices 25 cents to pay for a bigger welfare plan.

## Tribune employees get retirement fund checks from Newspaper Guild

First retirement checks for Oakland Tribune employees were issued April 1 from the San Francisco - Oakland Newspaper Guild (Local 52) Retirement Income Fund, according to the Bay Guildsman, the union's official publication.

Those receiving the checks were: Rose Glavinovich, Jane Grey Sampson and Colin Spangler. A payment was authorized to the estate of Harold Levy who died last July. He was eligible for retirement benefits when he retired in January, 1960.

The Oakland Tribune has been paying into the retirement fund of the Guild since the first contract went into effect on Oct. 12, 1959, according to the Guildsman. But details of bringing the Tribune unit under the SFONG retirement system were not completed until March, 1961.

## New CLC delegates

New delegates seated at the May 1 meeting of the Central Labor Council were: Edward J. Goehring, Auto Machinists 1546; Alvin F. Johnson, Oil Workers 1-589, and Robert Kerr, Glaziers 169.

## New Sacramento charter

Six counties — Sacramento, Yolo, Placer, Nevada, Amador, and El Dorado — are covered by a new AFL-CIO charter presented to the Sacramento Labor Council last month.

## 51 unionists, survivors to receive \$2 million from 1957 shipyard explosion

A record out-of-court settlement estimated at \$2 million will go to 51 of the 53 claimants in the 1957 Todd Shipyard explosion which killed 10 and injured 43 persons.

Those killed and injured were members of East Bay Steel Machinists 1304 and Boilermakers 10.

Claims of two persons are still unsettled.

The explosion occurred aboard the tanker, Jeanny. Defendants were Todd Shipyard Corp. and Sheffield Tankers Corp.

Federal Judge Albert C. Woltenberg of San Francisco approved a consent decree holding the two firms liable. The consent decree provides for payment of 67½ per cent of the 51 claimants' "provable damages."

Of this amount, Todd has agreed to pay two-thirds and Sheffield the remaining one-third. Jay A. Darwin was chairman of a committee of attorneys representing 45 claimants.

The settlement also provided for payment of \$639,500 by Sheffield to Todd for work in reactivating the tanker. The federal government is to pay Sheffield \$100,000 to relieve itself of any further claims.

## Factory jobs rise some, but below 1960 level in state, Henning reports

California factory employment rose seasonally by 9,300 between February and March, John F. Henning, state director of industrial relations, reported this week.

While employment declined in auto assembly plants, it increased in most other industries.

The March factory total of 1,288,100 wage and salary workers, however, was 24,400 less than a year ago.

The chief loss from a year ago was in aircraft. Even though employment in this industry has increased slightly for the last two months, the March total of 199,900 was off nine per cent from March, 1960.

A number of other durable goods industries also continued to register less employment than a year ago, but these losses were nearly offset by year-to-year gains in the electrical equipment and missiles industries.

Manufacturing employment in the Bay Area also increased seasonally between February and March — up by 2,200 to a total of 193,600 wage and salary workers.

The current total, however, is 5,200 less than in March, 1960. Losses from a year ago were concentrated in the durable goods sector, with chief reductions in the metals and auto assembly industries.

## Cohelan announces housing project for elderly in Berkeley

Congressman Jeffery Cohelan announced that a loan of \$1,383,760 has been approved by the U.S. Housing and Home Finance Agency for a housing project for elderly persons in Berkeley.

The project will be known as Strawberry Creek Lodge, Cohelan said. Sponsored by the Strawberry Creek Lodge Foundation, the idea has been actively supported by Cohelan.

This is one of the first loans granted under the Housing for the Elderly program in 1961.

The project will consist of three four-story structures. The buildings will contain 151 living units which will accommodate 183 persons, Congressman Cohelan said.

Rent will range from \$60 to \$100 a month. In addition to living units, each building will have central dining facilities, lounge and reception room, crafts room, woodworking room and laundry facilities.

Located on a 1.8 acre tract on Addison street between West and Acton streets, the project will also have outdoor recreation facilities.

## Bay Area factory wages up, but increase in living costs cancels half of gain

The average factory worker in the Bay Area earned \$4.26 more per week this March than a year ago but about half of this gain was absorbed by higher living costs, John F. Henning, state director of industrial relations, reported last week.

Before taxes, factory earnings averaged \$111.74 per week last month, representing a gain of 4 per cent from March, 1960. However, the purchasing power of these earnings was 2 per cent higher than a year ago — after allowing for the rise in prices over the year and for payment of federal and state taxes.

Average hourly earnings of factory workers in the Bay Area rose to a record \$2.88 in March, 11 cents more per hour than a year ago.

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## Teachers 771 scores victory on hiring issue in Oakland

For the first time in many years, there is evidence that the Oakland Board of Education is hearing the pleas of the Teachers Union.

The board has just voted to hire 55 more teachers for the 1961-62 school year.

Superintendent of Schools Selmer Berg has recommended a cut of more than 80 teaching positions in his budget.

The non-union Oakland Teachers Association made no request for additional teachers.

Teachers Local 771 (Oakland Federation of Teachers), however, urged that 84 new teachers be hired to meet the needs of Oakland public schools next year.

Ronald Miller, president-elect of Local 771, made the following comment:

"The decision of the board to hire 55 more teachers for the year 1961-62 certainly does not completely meet our request for 84 teachers, but the fact that the board apparently did listen to the Oakland Federation of Teachers suggests that for the first time in many years the classroom teachers may begin to have an important voice in Oakland's education system."

Miller pointed out that the non-union Oakland Teachers Assn., affiliated with the California Teachers Assn., made no request at all for additional teachers.

Board member Alan A. Lindsay made the motion to hire additional teachers, which passed unanimously. Local 771 reported, however, that board

member Carl B. Munck voiced an objection to the move.

Local 771 President-elect Miller and Carlton Garske, a member of the local's budget committee, made the union's presentation before the board.

### CLASSES INCREASED

The union voiced an objection to the Board of Education's decision to increase the number of classes for some secondary school teachers to six. The Oakland Teachers Assn. did not oppose the action.

Local 771 also opposed Superintendent Berg's proposal for a two per cent across the board salary increase.

President-elect Miller said:

"Supt. Berg calls this a cost of living raise. However, the cost of living increase is not the same for all incomes. Obviously, the percentage increase for the administrator earning \$10,000 is not the same as that for the teacher earning \$5-6,000."

## Fair Employment cases double in four months

The monthly load of new cases filed with State Division of Fair Employment Practices has more than doubled.

Edward Howden, division chief, reports new cases filed as follows: December, 44; January, 57; February, 75; March, 99. April figures are not yet available.

Cases docketed in the FEP Division's first 18 months totaled 789. As of March 31, 516 of these cases had been closed.

## Unemployed being quizzed

Unionists are being asked to cooperate in a large research undertaking being launched in connection with the federal government's Temporary Extended Unemployment Compensation program.

According to a letter received from the AFL-CIO by the Central Labor Council, some TEC claimants will be asked questions about their past employment experience when they visit State Department of Employment offices about their unemployment insurance checks.

Some persons will also be asked questions about allocation

of family income. These questions will also be asked of some persons who have already exhausted their extended benefits.

In no case will answers affect eligibility for unemployment benefits, according to Nelson H. Cruikshank, director of the AFL-CIO Department of Social Security.

"The only purpose of the survey," Cruikshank said, "is to provide the basis for evaluating the effectiveness of the TEC program."

Unions have been asked to cooperate with local employment offices in the research survey.

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## Meisenbach freed; KRON postpones show; film changed

Robert J. Meisenbach, 23, was found innocent last week of hitting a policeman during the demonstration at the May, 1960, hearings of the House Un-American Activities Subcommittee in San Francisco.

Among other developments involving the hearings were these:

- Television station KRON-TV postponed a 2½-hour special telecast, "The Story of Operation Abolition," originally scheduled for tonight. No new date was announced.

- The film, "Operation Abolition," got its first Bay Area television showing on station KQED's "Profile: Bay Area" April 27.

- Fulton Lewis III says more copies of "Operation Abolition," the HUAC's propaganda film about the so-called riots, are being made, according to the May issue of "the liberal democrat."

Three speeches by congressmen have been deleted from the film, and the shot showing Harry Bridges has been put in a different place. Other inaccuracies are unchanged.

- Assemblyman John A. O'Connell of San Francisco accused J. Edgar Hoover of the FBI of deliberately misrepresentation in attributing the so-called riots solely to Communist efforts.

## Rep. George P. Miller to remain on two key congressional committees

Congressman George P. Miller announced he will continue to serve on the Science and Astronautics Committee as well as the Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee.

Miller will be ranking majority member of the Science and Astronautics Committee. As such, he will preside over the committee in the absence of the chairman.

Congressman Miller has served on the Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee since January 1955. He has been named chairman of the permanent subcommittee on Oceanography, first formed in 1959, charged with responsibility of research and development of the aquatic resources of our nation.

During his years of service with the Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee, Miller has been particularly concerned with the Pacific Coast maritime industry, with emphasis on the needs and interests of the Bay Area.



ELEANOR ROOSEVELT uses a gold needle to sew the first International Ladies Garment Workers' Union label to be used in the women's scarf and neckwear industry. She is flanked by ILGWU and industry officials.

## Engle calls for federal export program; says foreign trade is 'vital'

Senator Clair Engle of California has introduced legislation spelling out a major new federal export promotion program.

"The countries of Western Europe and Japan have been increasing their share of exports to the foreign market while the share of the United States has been declining," Senator Engle said in a speech on the Senate floor.

Senator Engle said recently-completed studies by the Senate Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee, of which he is a member, show clearly that American producers cannot compete overseas without a professional trade promotion service under the Department of Commerce.

"Foreign trade means job opportunities and economic health for all our great cities," Engle said.

He added: "It is particularly vital to the economic health of our port cities."

In California, the ports of San Diego, Long Beach, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Oakland, Stockton, Sacramento and Eureka are "pulsating pumps linking our economic well-being with the economies of the world," Engle declared.

## New puppet show

The puppet theater at Oakland's Children's Fairyland in Lakeside Park has a new play, "Hansel and Gretel." The theater is sponsored by Milk Drivers 302. Performances are 11 a.m. and 2 and 4 p.m. daily.

## A little of what you did and didn't read in the daily press

The big news during the past week took place in outer space. Here's a quick look elsewhere:

### INTERNATIONAL

Premier Khrushchev said the Soviet Union is preparing for disarmament negotiations with the United States "with all seriousness."

### NATIONAL

President Kennedy signed the law raising the federal minimum wage to \$1.25 between now and Sept. 5, 1963, and extending coverage to 3,600,000 more workers.

Robert Paxton, retired president of General Electric, said he "must have been pretty damn dumb" for not knowing G.E. was fixing prices.

AFLCIO President George Meany said unemployment is still too high and suggested a multi-billion dollar public works program.

Building trades wages increased an average of 1.2 cents an hour during the first three months of 1961, a survey showed.

President Thomas J. Lloyd and Secretary Treasurer Patrick E. Gorman of the Butchers Union urged President Kennedy to appoint a federal consumer counsel.

### STATE

The Assembly voted 43 to 31 against the California Labor Federation's proposed "Little Norris-LaGuardia Act" Monday but another effort was forthcoming. The bill would curb employer injunction abuses.

Gov. Edmund G. Brown signed a bill by Republican Assemblyman Louis Francis requiring every public school pupil to salute the flag every school day.

The Assembly Industrial Relations Committee presided over burial of a bill to end recruiting of professional strikebreakers by third parties.

The Assembly Ways and Means Committee OK'd Assemblyman William Byron Rumford's bill extending the state minimum wage to male workers between the ages of 18 and 21.

The Assembly approved a bill creating an \$118,000 state health program for migrant workers.

The State Department of Employment said the AFLCIO Packinghouse Workers' strike against Salinas Strawberries Farm was "valid."

Teamsters announced a contract with Bud Antle, Inc., big Salinas grower, in that union's first organizing drive covering field hands.

The Assembly Ways Committee approved a revised version of the Hawkins Fair Housing Bill, which leaves out private housing except where Cal-Vet loans or other public assistance is involved.

### BAY AREA

The U.S. Court of Appeals upheld the contempt of Congress conviction of Louis E. Hartman (Jim Grady), former Bay area radio commentator who refused to answer questions before the House Un-American Activities Committee in 1957.

Dr. Henry David, president of the New School for Social Research, said in San Francisco that automation, in the long run, will create more jobs.

Thomas A. Small of San Mateo Bartenders and Culinary Workers 340, a vice-president of the California Labor Federation, was found guilty by a jury of evading \$5,642 in income taxes from 1954 through 1957 and making false income tax statements. Small said he used the money for legitimate expenses in running the union's welfare fund. His attorney moved for a new trial.

The Academic Senate of the University of California voted to appoint a committee to investigate the case of a student who received an "F" in ROTC after he picketed against compulsory military training.

## Bosses of firms in state 'failed to pay' nearly \$2 million

California employers failed to pay workers \$1,899,866 due them last year under provisions of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act.

Frank J. Muench, western director of the Wage and Hour and Public Contracts Divisions, explained that the FLSA applies only to workers engaged in or producing goods for interstate commerce.

It includes minimum wage provisions, overtime for over 40 hours and child labor restrictions.

Employers were found to owe money to 12,127 workers in California alone last year under the law.

Muench stated that "most" employers violating the law did so because they were "not fully informed about the statutory requirements."

"Every attempt is made to show employers how to comply with the law and how to take steps to correct underpayments due employees. But when serious violations are found the Labor Department takes prompt enforcement action," Muench said.

## Huxley named regional director of Bureau of Labor-Mgt. Reports

Harold D. Huxley of San Francisco has been named regional director of the U.S. Labor Department's Bureau of Labor-Management Reports.

Huxley will head a ten-state staff of BLMR investigators and technical assistance specialists. The latter work closely with labor and management to explain the law and its requirements to ensure fuller understanding and compliance.

Huxley is a veteran of 27 years in government, the past eight of them as deputy regional director of the Labor Department's employment security bureau here. Born in Minnesota in 1904, Huxley was graduated from the University of Pennsylvania, where he was affiliated with Delta Kappa Epsilon.

During and after World War II, he was a commander in the U.S. Navy. He served on the United Nations Truce Team in Palestine in 1948 under the late Count Folke Bernadotte of Sweden. Huxley was governor of the Caroline Islands in the Pacific after this.

## Collier-Petris bill would help automation victims

The Collier-Petris Act is America's first state law providing retraining benefits for employees displaced by automation.

The measure is largely the work of Assemblyman Nicholas C. Petris, East Oakland Democrat, although the final bill passed was the State Senate version. It was sent to Gov. Edmund G. Brown's desk for signature recently.

The bill extends to claimants for unemployment insurance the right to attend state approved retraining courses without loss of those benefits.

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# OFFICIAL UNION NOTICES

## AUTOMOTIVE MACHINISTS 1546

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

The regular meetings of Lodge No. 1546 will be held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month at the hour of 8 p.m. at our new building, located at 10260 MacArthur Blvd., Oakland, Calif.

Fraternally yours,  
A. J. HAYES,  
Recording Secretary

## CARPENTERS 1473

Meets first and third Friday of each month at the Eagles Hall, 1228 36th Ave., Oakland at 8 p.m.

Election of officers will be held on Friday, June 16, 1961.

Fraternally yours,  
J. W. KIRKMAN,  
Recording Secretary

## UNITED STEELWORKERS 4468

Regular meetings held 2nd Saturday of each month at 10:00 a.m. at Eagles Hall, 1228 36th Avenue, Oakland.

Fraternally,  
FRANK V. McINTOSH,  
Recording Secretary

## HAYWARD CULINARY 823

All three meetings of this union will be held on the third Tuesday of the month, the first at 9:30 a.m., the second at 2:30 p.m., and the third at 8:00 p.m. at the union headquarters.

The next regular meeting will be held May 16, 1961.

Anyone interested in joining a Local 823 bowling team please register at the union office.

JOSEPH MEDEIROS,  
President  
LEROY V. WOODS,  
Secretary-Treasurer

## CARPENTERS 36

Please be reminded again that all Carpenters and their families should be sure and vote at the Oakland city election Tuesday, May 16, 1961, and support the candidates recommended by the East Bay Labor Journal and your Council on Political Education.

Unless otherwise specified, regular meetings will be held each Friday at 8 p.m. at Carpenters Hall, 761 12th St., Oakland, Calif.

You are requested to attend a special called meeting Friday at 8 p.m. at Carpenters Hall, 761 12th St., Oakland, Calif., for the nominations of all officers and delegates, May 12, 1961. You are urged to attend this special called meeting to nominate the persons of your choice for all local union offices.

This will be followed thirty or more days later with the election of all officers and delegates, June 16, 1961, with the polls open from 12 noon to 10 p.m., at 761 12th St., Oakland, Calif. You are reminded again that you should participate in your local union election and vote for the candidates of your choice.

Nomination of all officers and delegates, Friday at 8 p.m., May 12, 1961, Carpenters Hall, 761 12th St., Oakland, Calif.

Fraternally yours,  
OSCAR N. ANDERSON  
Recording Secretary

## MILLMEN 550

### NOTICE TO MEMBERS

Our agreements provide for wage adjustments May 1, 1961. Journey-men's rate will be increased by 17½ cents an hour. New journey-men's scale will be \$3.27½ per hour. Other classifications will be adjusted upward as provided by the contract.

Nominations for officers, delegates and committees for the ensuing two year term will be held on Friday, May 12, 1961. Election will be held on Friday, June 16, 1961. The ballot box will be open from noon to 9 p.m.

Both meetings will be held in the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland.

Fraternally yours,  
GEORGE E. WHITE,  
President  
JACK ARCHIBALD,  
Secretary

## PLUMBERS & GAS FITTERS 444

The next meeting of Plumbers & Gas Fitters Local Union No. 444 will be held on Wednesday, May 24, in Hall M on the third floor of the Labor Temple Building, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland, Calif., at 8 p.m.

### ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. The regular order of business.
2. Article III, Section 1, of your present Labor Agreement states:  
(b) Effective July 1, 1961 a 10 cent per hour increase.  
(c) Effective January 1, 1962, a 15 cent per hour increase.

There will be an election at this time to determine the allocation of these monies.

3. The next regularly scheduled holiday will be Tuesday, May 30, 1961, Memorial Day.

Your presence at this meeting is very necessary inasmuch as it is an opportunity for you to help make important suggestions on matters concerning the future welfare of you and your family.

Fraternally yours  
BEN H. BEYNON,  
Bus. Mgr. & Fin. Sec.-Treas.

## STEAMFITTERS LOCAL 342

This union's Negotiating Committee will meet Tuesday, May 16, 1961, in the business offices of the union at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of taking under advisement any changes you may wish to present in our piping agreement, which has been opened for negotiations.

Fraternally,  
JAMES MARTIN,  
Fin. Sec'y. Bus. Mgr.

## HAYWARD CARPENTERS 1622

Unless otherwise specified, regular meetings will be held each Friday at 8 p.m. at the Labor Temple, 1050 Mattox Rd.

### OFFICIAL NOTICE

A special call meeting will be held on Friday, May 12, 1961, at 1050 Mattox Rd., Hayward, Calif., to nominate candidates for the following offices of Local Union No. 1622:

President, vice-president, recording secretary, financial secretary, treasurer, three trustees, conductor and warden, two business representatives.

In addition to the above, there will be nominations for: 20 delegates to the Bay Counties District Council of Carpenters and alternates, 8 delegates to the Alameda County Building and Construction Trades Council, 4 delegates to the California Labor Federation and alternates, 4 delegates to the California State Council of Carpenters and alternates, 6 delegates to Alameda County COPE and 2 members of the local union Sick Committee.

The election will be held at a special call meeting Saturday, June 10, 1961. Voting hours will be between 7 a.m. and 4 p.m. Another notice of the election will be mailed to you stating eligibility to vote.

This election will be held, based upon the new Constitution and Laws of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America and the Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act of 1959.

Fraternally yours,  
MARIUS WALDAL,  
Recording Secretary

## UNITED STEELWORKERS 1798

Union meeting, Friday, May 26, 1961, 8 p.m., Hall D, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland.

Fraternally,  
ELLA BAINES,  
Recording Secretary

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## HAYWARD PAINTERS 1178

Special meeting Wednesday, May 17, for organizational meeting of credit union and to elect board of directors.

Friday night, May 19, a regular and special meeting will be the order of business.

The special meeting is called to hold a primary election for executive secretary and business representative of District Council of Painters No. 16. The winner's name will appear on the ballots of that body on the June election date.

We will nominate candidates for offices of L.U. 1178 and delegates to our various affiliates. Election at a meeting in June. You will be notified of the date.

Fraternally yours,  
ROBERT S. MILLER,  
Recording Secretary

## STEEL MACHINISTS 1304

Next regular meeting, Thursday, May 18, at 8 p.m. Executive board meets at 6:30 p.m.

It's later than you think. June 1 is the deadline for making application for membership in the 1304 Blood Bank for the third quarter, which begins July 1. If you aren't already a member, get your application in now.

Fraternally,  
JOHN L. GIFFIN,  
Recording Secretary

## PAINT MAKERS 1101

Nominations for all officers and delegates except business manager-financial secretary-treasurer and two trustees will be in order at the May 16, 1961, regular meeting, also nominations for executive secretary of DCP No. 16.

Election will be held for one delegate to the Western Joint Council of Brush and Paint Makers Conference to be held in Los Angeles.

Remember: third Tuesday, May 16, 8 p.m., Hall A, first floor, Labor Temple.

Fraternally,  
ED MORGAN,  
Recording Secretary

## BAKERY WAGON DRIVERS 432

Notice of nomination and election of delegates to special convention of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen and Helpers of America to be held at Miami Beach, Fla., starting July 3, 1961, for the purpose of electing a General President, General Secretary-Treasurer, Vice-Presidents and Trustees of the International Union (for a term of five (5) years from the date of election at the convention, if the convention by two-thirds of the delegates, present and voting, establishes such five (5) year term to commence at this convention by amendment to Article III, Section 1); to consider amendments to the International Constitution; and to transact such other business as the convention may determine.

Election Tuesday, May 16, 1961, 8 p.m., Hall M, 3rd Floor, Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland 12, Calif.

Nomination and election rules are available at the union office on request.

Fraternally,  
LES BENHAM,  
Secretary-Treasurer,  
Business Representative

## ALAMEDA CARPENTERS 194

Carpenters Local 194 will meet on the first and third Monday of each month at 8 p.m. in the Veterans Memorial Building at Walnut and Central in Alameda.

Fraternally,  
JOHN M. GRIGSBY,  
Rec. Secty., Pro Tem

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## BUILDING SERVICE 18

Building Service Union, Local 18 will hold nominations for their 1961 delegates to conventions to be held during the year.

Nominations will be held Friday, May 26, 1961 at the union meeting at 1608 Webster St., Oakland.

All nominations shall be submitted in writing to the presiding officer at the union meeting. Such written nominations shall contain the name of the person nominated, the office for which he or she is nominated and must be signed by at least twenty (20) members who have been in continuous good standing in the union at least three (3) years prior to the date of signing the nomination paper.

The candidate nominated must sign such written nomination to indicate his or her willingness to become a candidate.

The election of delegates will be by secret ballot and will be held at the union office, 1628 Webster St., Oakland, on Friday, June 9, 1961, and the polls will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Fraternally,  
W. DOUGLAS GELDERT,  
Business Representative

## AUTO & SHIP PAINTERS 1176

The next regular meeting will be held May 16 in Hall D of the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., at 8 p.m.

Nominations will be open for the office of secretary-treasurer of the District Council.

Fraternally yours,  
LESLIE K. MOORE,  
Business Representative

## BERKELEY PAINTERS 40

The meeting of May 12, 1961, will be a special call for nominations of business representative and secretary-treasurer for D.C. 16.

The meeting of May 26, 1961, will be a special call for the run-off election for two candidates for business representative and one candidate for secretary-treasurer to be placed on the D.C. No. 16 ballot.

Polls will be open for voting from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., May 26, 1961.

After the closing of the polls a meeting will be called to order for the purpose of nominations for local union delegates and officers to serve a two year term.

Fraternally yours,  
GENE SLATER,  
Recording Secretary

## BERKELEY CARPENTERS 1158

There will be a special called meeting on June 5, 1961, for nominations and election of officers.

Unless specified, regular meetings will be held on the first and third Mondays of each month.

Fraternally yours,  
NICK J. AFDAMO,  
Recording Secretary

## SHEET METAL WORKERS 216

A special meeting of the Sheet Metal Workers' Union, Local No. 216, will be held Thursday, May 11, 1961, 8 p.m., Hall M, Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez Street, Oakland.

All members have been notified by mail of this meeting. This is to again remind you that this meeting is being held on a Thursday night and not on our normal meeting night.

Fraternally,  
LLOYD CHILD,  
Financial Secretary

## CARPENTERS LOCAL 1149

Nomination of officers will be held Friday, May 19, at 115 Broadway, Oakland. Elections will be held on June 16.

Fraternally,  
JAMES ALLAN,  
Recording Secretary

## UC EMPLOYEES 371

At the last meeting of April 8, 1961, a motion was made and passed that after May 13, 1961, the regular meetings will be suspended through June, July and August. Next regular meeting, May 13, 1961. The Executive Board will meet each month to carry on business of the local and pay the bills.

Fraternally yours,  
A. ROBERTSON,  
Secretary

## Labor Council takes no sides on hotel site issue

The Central Labor Council Executive Board interviewed proponents of both sides over whether the Snow Museum site should be used for a hotel (Proposition A) and recommended that the question of endorsing be tabled.

Labor Council delegates approved this action Monday night.

## Seabury gets Guggenheim Fellowship; ADA leader

Dr. Paul Seabury, chairman of the Northern California Chapter of Americans for Democratic Action, has been granted a Guggenheim fellowship.

Dr. Seabury will study non-military conflict and competition between the Soviet Union and the West.

He is an associate professor of political science at the University of California.

SEN. CLAIR ENGLE says: "The American consumer is the forgotten man when it comes to determining the general economic policies of our government."

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## Hayward Painters 1178

By WILEY H. MOUNTJOY

During the daily routine and doing some of our duties, we are sometimes faced with a very difficult task—the necessity of becoming impersonal and impartial. The demand is, in order to be useful, for us to step aside from self, thereby being free to act on the higher level, where the most good is done.

Any human system or accomplishment can be better and is therefore subject to criticism. But, to be of any value, the critical view should be immediately followed by a better idea.

The last meeting was very interesting. It crackled with lively discussions, opinions and concepts—and the ones nominated for District Council are: business representatives Leroy Barstow and Allen Johnson, secretary-treasurer, Wiley H. Mountjoy.

On the sick list: Manual Barboza, recovering from slight heart attack. Joseph Horacek, at home, critically ill—he would like to see his buddies and co-workers, so drop in and say "Howdy."

Bennie Rivers, in Eden Hospital, with a bleeding ulcer—and he urgently needs blood donors and asks your help. Phone the Blood Bank, OL 4-5383.

We are—therefore we need no other reason for joy and faith and hope.

## Steamfitters Local 342

By JIM MARTIN

The 41st convention of the California Pipe Trades Council was held in Los Angeles April 28, 29 and 30 with over 200 delegates and visitors in attendance. The delegates were honored by the presence of General President Schoemann, General Secretary-Treasurer William O'Neill, Fifth Vice-President Tom Hamblly, General Organizers Jack Spalding and Charlie Balch, Special Representative Charlie Voss, Apprenticeship Coordinator Dan MacDonald, President of Metal Trades Department James Brownlow, retired General Organizer Archie Virtue and local and state dignitaries representing labor and management.

This three day convention produced 24 resolutions, which were acted upon by the delegates. Resolutions presented by this union were favorably acted upon.

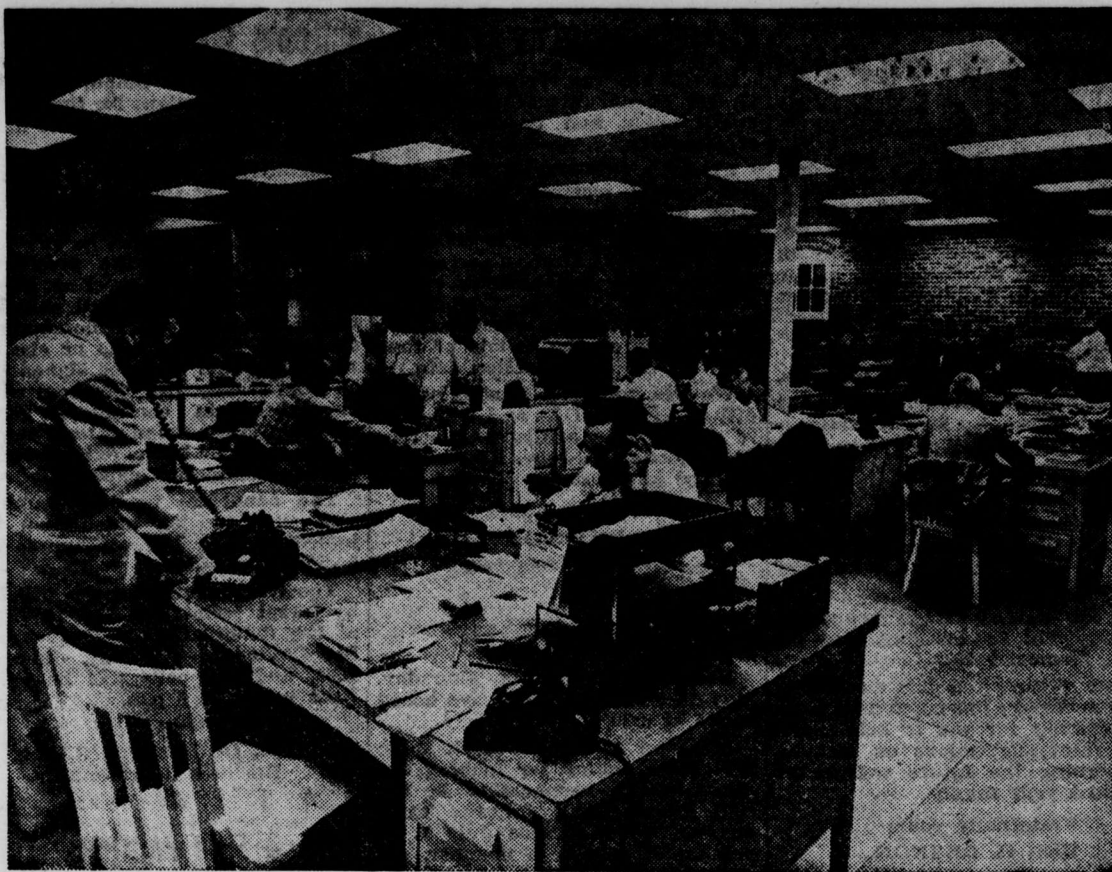
Delegates elected to represent the council for the year 1961-1962 were: Business Manager Joe Walsh, Local 78, Los Angeles, as president; Business Manager Harold Conn, Local 545, Santa Monica as district vice-president from the South; Business Manager Charles Blay, Local 250, Los Angeles, as district vice-president from the South; Business Manager Joe Mazzola, Local 38, San Francisco, as vice-president; Business Manager William Francis, Local 447, Sacramento, as district vice-president from the North and the writer as secretary.

On Saturday evening, Local 250 of Los Angeles, hosting the convention, provided a very nice dinner and entertainment. There were over 300 delegates, their wives and families attending this dinner.

Bechtel Company has been awarded the third phase of the Associated Oil Company's expansion program at Avon, Calif. This twenty million dollar project is due to get under way on June 15th with the completion date approximately the middle of the summer of 1962. There will be more regarding this after the pre-job conference.

Bechtel Company also has the contract for the asphalt plant to be built at the Shell Oil refinery in Martinez, which is due to get under way before long.

This writer wishes to openly thank Instructor Marvin Wul-



**CITY ROOM** of the Portland Reporter, liberal daily newspaper launched by unionists on strike against the Portland Oregonian and Journal, equals that of any metropolitan newspaper. The Reporter changed from semi-weekly to daily publication Feb. 11. It now claims a circulation of 68,000 and says a boycott by major advertisers appears to be crumbling.

bern, a member of this union, now teaching at Laney Campus in Oakland, for the time and for contributing his services in producing a large display case, consisting of pipe fabrication formations, welding tests, heliarc and sigma welding exhibits. This 4 ft. by 8 ft. board will be used by the National Joint Apprenticeship Committee and the United Association for exhibition purposes on a national basis. Thanks, Marvin.

Negotiations have been completed by the Negotiating Committee, representatives of Local 250 of Los Angeles, Local 460 of Fresno, Local 460 of Bakersfield and this local union, and the employers, signatory to the California State Short Line Pipe Agreement. These negotiations, held in Los Angeles this past week, produced the following results:

Journeyman rate, effective June 23, 1961—\$4.76 per hour. Effective June 23, 1962—\$4.94½ per hour.

Effective June 23, 1963—\$5.13 per hour. This is an increase of 18½ cents per hour each year.

The apprentice helper will receive an increase of 15 cents per hour per year as previously indicated. The present helper scale is \$3.10 per hour.

Also, foremen will receive 10 per cent differential over the journeyman rate of \$4.76 per hour.

Subsistence was increased from \$7 to \$8 per day.

Health and welfare contributions were increased from 15 cents per hour to 19 cents per hour.

A new pension plan contribution was also negotiated providing a 12 cent per hour employer's contribution.

A 2½ cent per hour employer's apprenticeship and journeyman training program contribution.

These cost items, therefore, negotiated are 36½ cents this year and 18½ cents for the following two years.

Be sure to attend your union meetings, which are held the first and third Thursdays of each month.

## Stationary Engineers 39 moves to new location

Stationary Engineers 39 has moved its local office to Room 3, 1444 Webster St., Oakland 12, Calif., according to letters received by the Central Labor and Building Trades Councils.

Local 39 still has the same phone number: TW 3-8007.

## Sheet Metal Snips

By AL ARELLANO

Starting June 12 through June 16th, registrations will be taken for classes in arc, acetylene and heliarc welding. The times to register are 8:15 a.m. 3 p.m. and again in the evening from 6 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. in the Student Personnel office in the Administration Building of the Laney Campus, 1001 Third Ave., Oakland.

Here is a good chance for sheet metal workers to brush up on their welding, and for those who have never welded it is a good chance to receive instruction in heliarc welding, which is becoming more and more in use.

For those who are working, there are classes on Saturday morning, 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., and again in the evenings Monday through Thursday starting at 7 p.m. and ending at 10 p.m.

You have probably read about this, but have you done anything? Those Right-to-Workers are trying to sneak in by legislative action, even after taking a beating of over a 1,000,000 by popular election. S.B. 1107 is the number—write now to your legislator and stop this in its own tracks.

## Watchmakers Local 101

By GEORGE F. ALLEN

We now have the supply of Swiss electric watch technical bulletins in the office. If you will write or telephone the office we will be very happy to mail one of these to you.

Last week we got a little personal in our column. We are sorry to say that we forgot to mention the eye operation that was performed on Mrs. Warren K. Billings recently in the Kaiser Hospital. As you know, Warren has either been an officer, member of the executive board, or a delegate to the Central Labor Council of San Mateo for the length of time he has been a member of the organization. He has always been an active member and we are certainly sorry to hear that his wife, Josephine, had to undergo a cataract operation on her eye.

At the present writing we understand that everything is coming along as well as can be expected. In a short time we hope she will find that the operation was a success.

We are sorry that Warren's wife is having this difficulty and we sincerely hope that if she

has to have an operation on the other eye she will eventually have good eyesight.

Executive Board meeting: Thursday, May 18, 7 p.m., Union Office, 693 Mission St., Room 707, San Francisco.

## Painters Local No. 40

By GENE SLATER

The employment situation has not improved as we expected by this time of the year. If your shop could use more help, get in touch with the office or Ben for capable mechanics that are available.

Many members are not paying their dues on time. This can be expected when the member is unemployed, but most of the late ones are working full time according to our welfare sheets. Life insurance for the member and his dependents must be paid in advance. Make sure you are covered by paying dues promptly. Most of us feel we will live forever, but from the number of claims we've had this year, you and I know better.

Become an active member and do your part in running your local union. Won't you start by attending our next meeting of May 12?

## Jim Martin re-elected by pipe trades council

James H. Martin, business manager of Steamfitters 342, was re-elected secretary-treasurer of the California Pipe Trades Council at a convention in Los Angeles April 28-30.

Martin has held the post since September, 1956. He was unopposed.

Also re-elected unopposed were Joe Mazzola, Local 38, San Francisco, vice-president, and William Francis, Local 447, Sacramento, north district vice-president.

Joe Walsh of Local 78, Los Angeles, was elected president.

## Rank-and-file Caucus of Carpenters 36 endorses

The Rank-and-File Caucus of Carpenters 36 met Monday night and endorsed the following candidates, scheduled to be nominated today (Friday):

President, George Collins; Vice-President, Lem Flanagan; Recording Secretary, Frank Johnson; Treasurer, Mike Dorsey; Conductor, Herman Sharp; Trustee, Gene Hammond; Business Agent, Paul Hudgins.

## Carpenters Credit Union

By PAUL HUDGINS, Treasurer

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## DEADLINE FOR MAY 19 ISSUE

Deadline for union meeting notices and columns for the May 19 issue of the East Bay Labor Journal is noon, Monday, May 15.

## Union appeals to Brown over 'riots' at Deuel facility

Leaders of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees are trying to arrange a meeting with Gov. Edmund G. (Pat) Brown over recent "riots" at Deuel Vocational Institution near Tracy.

James L. McCormack, regional director for the AFSCME, is seeking the audience with the governor, according to C. Charles Hogan, international representative for the union.

The union has already sent wires to the governor, Atty. Gen. Stanley Mosk and State Sen. Alan Short of San Joaquin County, expressing concern for the safety of correctional officers and other employees of the institution.

Hogan said the wires to the governor, Mosk and Senator Short indicated the union's concern about increasing emphasis upon treatment at the cost of security measures.

There have been several incidents, Hogan said. One involved between 25 and 30 inmates. Seven of the institution's employees were taken to the hospital as a result. Another involved a hunger strike.

The incidents have received considerable publicity in Tracy and Stockton newspapers, according to Hogan.

About 75 correctional officers and others have signed up with the AFSCME's Local 664, which will receive its official charter soon.

**JAMES A. SUFFRIDGE**, president of the Retail Clerks International Association, hailed the passage of the new federal Minimum Wage Bill as "starting to bring long overdue justice to those who need it most."



## Teamsters 70 to go it alone in bldg. materials field, too

Members of Teamsters 70 have voted to negotiate on a local basis with companies in the ready-mixed concrete, building materials, rock, sand and gravel, and lumber and plywood industries within the local's jurisdiction.

In the past, some Bay Area locals have joined Teamsters 70 in seeking contracts in these industries.

Last year, however, lumber drivers in Local 70 negotiated alone and received the highest increase.

Joe Sawyer, business agent said: "Two years ago, construction industry drivers received far less in conditions and wages than they could have had we been permitted to negotiate on a local basis. The cow town locals voted us down. Next year it will be different. We'll go by ourselves."

Rank-and-file members serving on the committee include: Bob Crowson, Jim Odom and Frank Lawrence, lumber and plywood, and Ken Hirsch, Bob Andrade and Ray Pavao, ready-mixed concrete.

The committee and Local 70 officials have been given full power to act.

## PAY LESS DRUG IN HAYWARD FIRES 2 WHO JOINED UNION

Pay Less Drug Store in Hayward fired two employees who joined Food Clerks 870, George Read, business agent, told the Central Labor Council Monday night.

The union is trying to get their jobs back and has filed unfair labor practice charges against Pay Less.

Read said company officials have tried to persuade employees not to join the union at meetings and in individual conferences in their offices.

"The company is using every trick to combat the union," Read said.

## Sullivan says he would have lost without COPE

Fredrick T. Sullivan of Printing Specialties 382 attributed his election to the South County Junior College board of trustees completely to the support of labor's COPE.

Sullivan told Central Labor Council delegates he is grateful for the support of both the Alameda County and 13th A.D. COPE organizations.

Without it, he would not have won, Sullivan said.

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## Labor Council in long debate; Houlihan strongly endorsed

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Houlihan has never represented either an employer or a union in a labor dispute, delegates were told.

### RISHELL AND RIGHT-TO-WORK

John W. Austin of Typographical 38 listed two occasions on which, he said, Houlihan had voted against measures favored by printing trades unions. He said Rishell stuck up for these unions.

CLC Secretary Ash replied that Rishell voted against labor when the right-to-work measure came before the Oakland City Council.

In addition, Ash said, when it was Rishell's turn to vote, the mayor asked: "What are we voting on?"

During COPE's interviews of candidates, Ash stated, Rishell said four times he is for right-to-work, at least once stating specifically he was for Proposition 13.

### LOSS OF JOBS DISCUSSED

Also during the COPE interview, Ash told delegates, Rishell said he didn't know what the Oakland Chamber of Commerce does with the \$38,000 the City of Oakland gives it every year.

Aside from the fact that the city gives the chamber \$68,000, Ash said he felt Rishell should know.

"Rishell was asked: Did you ever try to find out?" Ash said. "He said: 'Sometimes I think it would be a good idea,'" Ash told delegates.

### COPE INTERVIEWERS 'UNANIMOUS'

Secretary Ash said COPE interviewers were unanimous in favoring Houlihan as the better candidate. He said the subsequent endorsement by COPE was almost unanimous.

During the debate, Ash read the COPE interviewers' report of answers both candidates gave on issues important to the labor movement.

Following this, there were several parliamentary moves to cut off or extend the debate.

Paul Jones of Laborers 304 and Charles Richards of Sign Painters 878 said Rishell had always been fair to labor in his business. Jones questioned whether Houlihan hired union Office Workers but was criticized for failing to ask the question while the candidate was still there to answer it.

### VOTE TO SUPPORT ENDORSEMENT

Jay Johnson of East Bay Municipal Employees 390 verified that Houlihan has always given labor a fair shake during council and budget meetings. "I cannot say the same thing for Mr. Rishell," Johnson said.

The debate came to an end at 9:30 p.m. after a move by Richard K. Groulx, assistant CLC secretary, to support the COPE endorsement carried by an overwhelming vote.

Delegates then voted to refer all other business to the Executive Committee except reading of the minutes and reports of unions.

## Hellender talks on Robillard, mental health and automation

Alexander Robillard, executed in San Quentin's gas chamber last month, probably would be alive today — and so would the officer he killed — if mental health treatment facilities were adequate.

This statement was made by Gov. Edmund G. (Pat) Brown at the first annual Mental Health Awards Committee dinner in Sacramento April 27, Arthur R. Hellender, assistant secretary of the Alameda County Central Labor Council, said in a report to CLC delegates last week.

Hellender was one of those attending the dinner. The California Assn. for Health and Welfare, of which he is president, and the California Labor Federation were among groups sponsoring it.

Governor Brown, Hellender said, pointed out that both Robillard and his father had histories of mental illness.

The governor cited the recent Robillard case as evidence of the need for more mental health clinics and institutions in California.

Hellender also reported on a talk he gave before the Northern California Industrial Supervisors Assn. on retraining for those whose jobs are eliminated by automation.

There is relatively little published material on this subject, Hellender told CLC delegates.

Hellender cited an Armour Co. plant in Kansas where employees declined to take advantage of a half million dollar retraining fund and a case involving the Auto Workers where only 3 per cent signed up.

Apparently many workers just assume that automation can't affect them, Hellender told the labor council delegates.



MARY FLORENCE COGAR, daughter of a trustee of Machinists 1173, Concord, was honored by the Contra Costa County labor movement last week for winning a \$4,800 AFLCIO merit scholarship. Several Alameda County unionists attended the banquet.

## Local 390 seeks 12½% increase for Berkeley members

East Bay Municipal Employees 390 is asking the Berkeley City Council for 12½ per cent raises for its members, with additional increases in some job classifications.

The Berkeley Personnel Board recommended 7½ per cent increases for all non-uniformed employees, with differential adjustments.

Jay Johnson, business representative for the union, pointed out that non-uniformed employees of the City of Berkeley received no raises last year.

Johnson said the Personnel Board had recommended 5 per cent increases in 1960, and employees of most other jurisdictions in this area got that much.

### NO RAISE LAST YEAR

But the City Council refused to grant any pay hikes to non-uniformed personnel, even though scales were below those of a number of other areas.

Johnson also cited U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics figures on wage increases in private industry.

This year, he said, San Francisco city employees have already received raises of 4-6 per cent, and San Leandro employees were granted 5 per cent increases.

The Berkeley Personnel Board has recommended that police and firemen get 5 per cent raises. They got 2½ per cent in 1960.

Local 390 represents public works, parks and recreation, garbage, shop and other service employees.

Electricians employed by the City of Berkeley belong to Electrical Workers 595.

## Building Trades in new dispute with housing authority

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Fairgrounds in Pleasanton, Childers reported.

### HANDY MEN

Childers told delegates a committee met with officials of the Home Owners Service Group, an organization specializing in home repair and improvement jobs, concerning a possible contract.

The crucial issue is the employment of handy men for small jobs which a contractor won't handle.

The Building Trades Council seeks a premium wage rate, insurance coverage, a referral agreement and limitation on the size of jobs handy men can work on, Childers told council delegates.

(Childers also reported on the State BTC legislative conference and on the Alameda County BTC's Mortgage Authority Bill. These topics were covered in the April 28 and May 5 issues of the East Bay Labor Journal, respectively.)

### ACTING POSTMASTER

Kenneth E. Francis, recently appointed acting postmaster of Oakland, appeared before BTC delegates to thank them for their support in obtaining the post.

Francis said he hopes he can show he deserved labor's support by "selling the gospel" of the labor movement in his contacts with other segments of the community.

### CITY OF HOPE

Delegates concurred in a request from Thomas L. Pitts, secretary-treasurer of the California Labor Federation, that all affiliated organizations join the City of Hope California Labor Council.

### OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

Other communications included the following:

- New wage rates of Cement Masons 594, effective May 1, including a \$3.97 journeyman's scale with a 10 cent pension plan and an 11 cent health and welfare contribution.

- A letter from the California Labor Federation, pointing out the fact that the electrical industry price fixing case has illustrated the increased need for adequate consumer protection.

A brochure from the Association of California Consumers, Box 17231, Los Angeles, was enclosed.

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## Vote for Houlihan--- bring jobs to Oakland

The important issue in next Tuesday's election is that Oakland is losing jobs, industries, population, taxes and prestige.

Oakland needs a mayor who will bring some leadership to the City Hall.

John C. Houlihan has been endorsed by the Alameda County AFLCIO Council on Political Education (COPE). We feel the choice is clear. Houlihan should be elected.

A last minute campaign to confuse these important issues is being made by the incumbent, Mayor Clifford Rishell, and his campaign manager. This shows they are running scared.

We are not afraid of these efforts. We feel that Houlihan has answered straight from the shoulder all the points raised by the Rishell forces about his stand on use of the Snow Museum property for a hotel. In fact, Houlihan has spoken out clearly and without hesitation since the campaign started. This is in direct contrast with the incumbent mayor's apparent "let Bob do it" efforts to wage a so-called smear campaign without doing it himself.

John C. Houlihan is supported by an impressive coalition of labor, industrialists, civic leaders and representatives of both major political parties. They realize that a strong mayor is needed to do something about these things:

- In 1960, Oakland received only 10.7 per cent of the new industry dollars spent in Alameda County. In 1950, the figure was 22.1 per cent.

- Last year, new industries brought 130 jobs to Oakland. They brought 1,366 to other parts of Alameda County.

- Oakland is losing population and tax revenues. John C. Houlihan wants to fight this not by cutting services, but by bringing new industry to Oakland for payrolls and tax revenues.

Like many cities, Oakland has ailments. Oakland may have a few more.

Many cities, with vigorous leadership, have gained a new lease on life.

A do-something mayor—John C. Houlihan—will do something about restoring vitality to Oakland.

Houlihan, a successful attorney and businessman, has been calling for action during his two years as a member of the City Council.

Before that, he served on the Planning Commission for seven years, part of the time as chairman. He has an outstanding, varied record of public service.

We think Houlihan's the man for mayor.

An added reminder: Don't forget to vote. There's only one office on the ballot, but it's THE important one!

## Missile strikes

Certain opponents of unions have been quick to point to strikes at missile bases in their efforts to give the labor movement a black eye.

The AFLCIO Building and Construction Trades Department has ordered its affiliated unions to exhaust all peace procedures before striking projects at missile bases. Locals must have specific authorization from their internationals before walking out. Those that ignore the Building Trades directive are subject to disciplinary action.

C. J. Haggerty, president of the Building Trades Department estimates this will prevent at least 90 per cent of the missile strikes by these unions.

The Building Trades Department has also negotiated an agreement with the National Contractors Assn. to cut down on "quickie" strikes on big industrial construction jobs, many of which involve defense work.

We agree with a recent editorial in the New York Times which concludes:

"This sort of union statemanship is especially welcome in these precarious days."

## Champion of the oppressors

What's wrong with U.S. policy in Cuba, Laos and elsewhere?

William H. Stringer of the Christian Science Monitor notes that "a pretty perennial past practice of policy makers . . . has been to link up with the conservative and right-wing elements in this or that unstable and menaced country . . ."

Most newspapers choose to ignore this.

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## 'TRAGEDY' OF BIRCHERS DESCRIBED BY SHELLEY

It is a tragedy that many misguided Americans join organizations like the John Birch Society—thinking this is the way to fight Communism, Congressman John F. Shelley of San Francisco said recently.

Actually, these organizations—because of their methods—deprive us of the main safeguard we have against Communism—the strength of our democratic institutions, according to Shelley.

Shelley, a Democrat, is a former president of the California Labor Federation. He made his remarks in Congress.

Following is the full text:

"Mr. Speaker, During the past weeks I have received letters urging that I participate in a 'campaign' to bring about the impeachment of our Chief Justice, Earl Warren. This movement has been led by the John Birch Society. It is my purpose to express my thinking concerning their activities and the Society itself.

### PUBLICIZE OR IGNORE?

"The clamor raised by the activities of the John Birch Society poses this dilemma: Is it better to rip the mask from such an organization and subject it to the spotlight of publicity or is it better to trust it will inevitably decline if ignored?

"Extremist forces of both left and right have in times past grown in strength and capacity for mischief by attracting alarmed interest and discussion.

"If the John Birch Society were an organization whose dynamism was based on a show of great number of adherents, it might be well to starve it of attention and let moulder as a small sterile group of extremists inhabiting a political limbo.

"I fear, however, that we have in the John Birch Society a sinister phenomenon which demands for its eclipse that the mask be ripped off and the spotlight focused.

### USES COMMUNIST TACTICS

"Its dynamism is that of the enemy it claims to be combating: front organizations, pressure campaigns; an apparatus of intimidation—with the smear its hallmark and a crippling of the democratic process its outcome.

"Against the John Birch Society relentless public exposure is needed; otherwise, we leave defenseless those who are subjected to its campaigns of vilification.

"The tragedy is that many

misguided Americans, concerned to arrest the spread of world Communism, will join organizations like the John Birch Society, thinking they are fighting Communism when they are actually fighting to deprive us of the main safeguard we have against Communism: that safeguard being the strength of our own democratic institutions.

### OVERSIMPLIFICATION

"When irresponsible accusations are made against public figures of unimpeachable integrity, when complex issues are reduced to simplified terms and the advocates of one solution branded 'pro-communist' and the advocates of another solution 'anti-Communist,' when legislation utterly remote from Communist ideology is wildly and baselessly identified with it—then, I submit, we are on the way to shaking the foundations of those democratic institutions on the ruins of which totalitarians of the right and left seek to raise their differing—but similarly abhorrent—banners.

"I do not suggest that the John Birch Society should be persecuted for its beliefs, it is a measure of our democracy that the John Birchers should be entitled to air their views.

"I do, however, suggest that since they have chosen to adopt the tactics of deceit and misrepresentation in forwarding their purposes—we must be alert to keep their activities a matter of public scrutiny and debate.

### 'SLANDER' AGAINST WARREN

"The outrageous campaign of slander this Society has launched against Chief Justice Warren is indicative of the woeful inappropriateness of their self-assumed anti-Communist label. Chief Justice Warren has consistently championed principles of civil rights and civil liberties which are the bulwarks of individual freedom. It is this very individual freedom which constitutes the root distinction between a democratic society and a totalitarian society.

"No one quarrels with opposition to Communism. No one quarrels with discussing the wisdom of any government's policy or action. But when these become devices to smear public officials, to direct pressure campaigns aimed at disrupting the normal concept of government, and to mislead and manipulate public opinion, then it is high time to take notice and expose such dangerous practices."

## OPINIONS

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### LABOR AND PEACE; PLANNING NEEDED

Editor, Labor Journal:

One of the most interesting discussions heard hereabout in a long time took place at the recent Labor Temple meeting when Bob Ash had Emil Mazey in to talk about the meaning for labor of serious steps toward disarmament. The Labor Journal is to be commended for its excellent summary of this discussion, and for its thoughtful editorial analysis of the peace problem.

On the face of it, relaxation of international tensions is the most pressing single issue before humanity. But the impact on the economy of serious action toward disarming presents a real and immediate problem to the labor movement: how do we prevent an even greater extension of mass unemployment? To many, "no job" is as bad as "no world"; economic execution seems hardly better than atomic extermination.

But these problems can be solved, and Mazey outlined some of the solutions, summarizing them in the slogan "peaceful planning for people—not private planning for profit."

Maybe the nations could learn something from the "potlatch" custom, at one time a practice of the Northwest Indians. They showed their wealth and courage by trying to outdo each other in throwing their weapons, canoes, and other goods into a huge fire. Perhaps we need a nuclear potlatch, in which the nations show their strength by competing in the numbers of atomic bombs they destroy.

It is high time that organized labor, as the true representative of the majority of Americans, took a real lead in heading off a war that could destroy all life on earth—while guaranteeing a job for every working man and woman.

We can do this. But, as Mazey pointed out, so long as obsessed characters like Jay Lovestone are setting labor's foreign policy, we're not going to do much to prevent the cold war from heating up into an atomic holocaust.

We can help to change all that, if we drop the cheap and easy cynicism so common among us now. Remember, we are part of a labor movement. Let's move.

The Journal has been giving us honest, hard-hitting treatment on this, as on every other important question. Keep up the good work.

DON HENRY,  
Member, Teachers 1078

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### CENSORSHIP

Editor, Labor Journal:

Regarding your statement in the May 5 Journal that you don't want a bunch of Pentagon generals telling our newspapers what they can't print:

I don't think they are trying to tell you what to print or what not to print. It's the way you print it is what the Pentagon means, not the Journal only, but all newspapers in the country. Sometimes the newspapers blow up a thing or build it up beyond their imagination.

I can't understand why the Pentagon releases a lot of its pictures and why it tells about its secret weapons to the newspapers so that they can splash them all over the front pages. They've said the pen is mightier than the sword but as time goes by the pen is going to be too careless in its strokes and give too much to the Russians via the free press.

GREGORY TAFS,  
Member, Upholsterers 28